



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

§ Group Art Unit: 1815

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For: NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS PROPHYLACTIC, THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC AGENTS

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION OF SPECIES
REQUIREMENT IN OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 25, 1997**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

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This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 25, 1997 having a one-month period of time due to expire December 26, 1997. Please amend the application as follows:

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